WE'RE BACK!
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KUZURE'S HOME!
WELCOME BACK!

SORRY ABOUT TODAY, I HAD SCHOOL SO...
IT'S FINE, IT'S FINE, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
THE JOB ITSELF WAS SIMPLE, KUZURE-CHAN WAS A HUGE HELP AGAIN,
I KNEW I COULD COUNT ON HER.
KINEZUKA SAN WENT THROUGH SUCH A GOOEY GOO!
IT WAS A SURPRISE THOUGH!
KU-KUZURE-CHAN! DON'T TELL HIM ABOUT THAT!
What kind of job was it!?
ANY-WAY...
NAOHITO! KUZURE'S HUNGRY!
OH, I'LL GET SOMETHING READY, GO WASH YOUR HANDS!

OKAY!

I DEFINITELY DEFINITELY GET THE FEELING SHE'S GROWING!
R-REALLY?
SHE'S LEARNING A LOT AND GETTING BETTER!
BUT SHE DOES LOOK DIFFERENT THAN SHE DID AT THE START!

...
PLEASE DON'T TEASE ME!
THIS IS THE FRUIT OF NAO-KUN'S LOVE~
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She's growing... huh?

16尾 Spoiled Fox

ITA-DAKI-MASU!
It's fish today!
Come to think of it, she can eat with chopsticks now,
At the start she could only use a spoon or a fork...
It's a small thing, but she picked it up quick.
She would eat with her hands...
The home
I guess she has changed a little...

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She's definitely growing, and adapting to the world.
...She was able to help out with work without me today.
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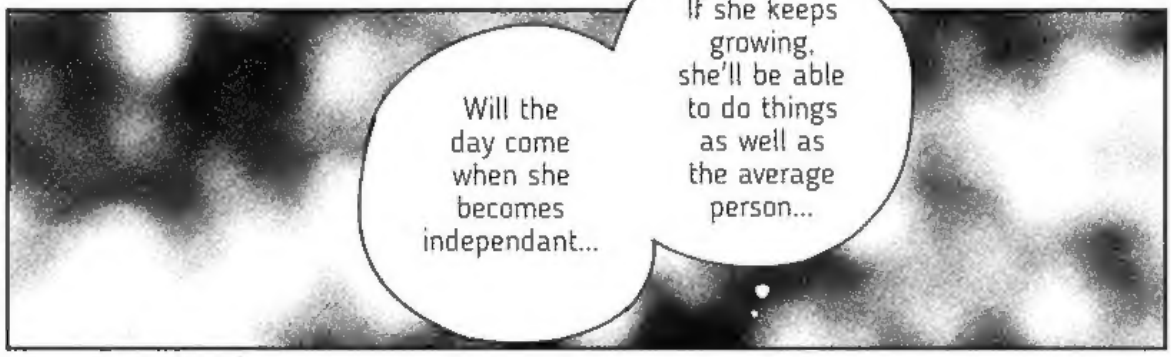
Will the day come when she becomes independant...
If she keeps growing, she'll be able to do things as well as the average person...

What am I thinking?
O-OH, YEAH...
It'll be easier if she did,
I wouldn't get pushed around by her anymore,
I could go back to my old life,
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NAO-HITO?
WHAT'S WRONG? YOUR FOOD IS GETTING COLD?
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My parents work overseas, and they hardly come home...
I'm used to being alone.
But, going back to that life again,
that case-
NAOHITO! SECONDS!!
YOU...

HERE,
DON'T EAT IN SUCH A RUSH...
Okay!
...AH,
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RIGHT AS I SAY THAT, YOU GOT A GRAIN OF RICE STUCK ON YOUR CHEEK.
GEEZ...
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Well, she still acts like a child...
Something like that is still a ways off...
NAOHITO~
THERE'S LOTS!
GET EM! GET EM!
D...
DON'T PLAY WITH YOUR FOOD!
OKAY?

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KUZURE,
I'M GETTING IN THE BATH FIRST.
OKAY!
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It was a huge pain having to give her a bath...
It's a lot easier now that she can do it herself.
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We haven't been talking as much lately.
But, Even though she's been less work,
Seems like I'm just taking care of her...
She's been learning a lot...
Otsune, Mitsune and Kinezuka-san have been taking turns with her.
NAO HI TO!

I FINISHED READING THE MANGA!
KUZURE'S COMING IN TOO!
WE'LL GO IN TOGE-THER!
HEY... THE TUB'S TOO SMALL!
IT'LL WORK! IT'LL WORK!
THERE'S ROOM LIKE THIS! ♪
No! No! No! No!

This is going too far!
I was thinking we hadn't been talking much lately, but...
Kuzure's smart!!
Squish?
KUZURE! THIS IS GOING TOO...
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EEK!
S-SORRY! I DIDN'T MEAN TO!
Naohito's ecchi!
ECCHI? YOU...
YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT!?
OF COURSE! KUZURE'S A LADY!
HOW ARE YOU A LADY!?
AND GETTING ON TOP OF SOMEONE NAKED IS WHAT'S ECCHI!?
AHAHA! NAOHITO'S WEIRD!
I DON'T WANT TO HEAR THAT FROM YOU!
ARE YOU KIDDING ME!?
Huh?

YOU WENT TO THE TOILET?
YE~S!
I'M TURNING OFF THE LIGHTS THEN~
GOOD NIGHT.
GOOD NIGHT~
...
Even the toilet was a struggle in the beginning.
It felt like I had to clean up everytime she went.
She's gradually becoming easier to manage
I'm happy, but it makes me feel a bit lonely
Is this how a parent feels watching over their children...?

NAO-HITO...
Well, it's not such a big thing.
I don't get why I'm getting so sentimenta.
UM...
CAN KUZURE SLEEP WITH YOU TODAY?
HUH?
I- I DON'T MIND...
YAY!

THE BEDS SMALL THOUGH, SO NO COMPL-AINING?
OKAY OK~AY!
WHY'D YOU SUDDENLY WANT TO SLEEP TOGETHER THOUGH?
NH~ WELL, NO SPECIAL REASON,
...I can't?

YAY!
I DIDN'T SAY THAT...
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YEAH!
YOU MUST BE TIRED FROM WORK?
GET SOME SLEEP,
GOOD NIGHT NAOHITO... ♪

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I can't eat anymore…
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...SO I'VE BEEN THINKING,
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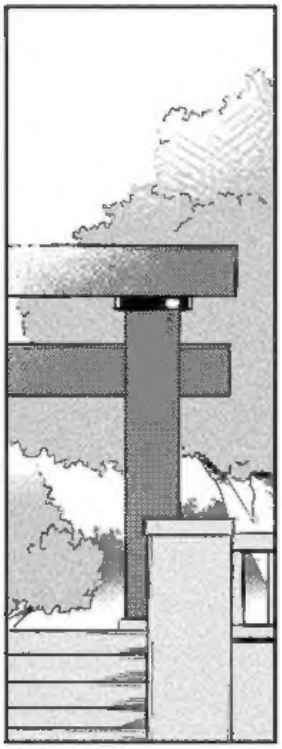

SHE'S BEEN LESS OF A HANDFUL LATELY...
I WAS WONDERING IF YOU HAD ANY THOUGHTS ON THAT?
...I THINK I KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON,
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN JUST SPOIL HER NOJA,
WORKING IS STRESSFULL, SO SHE WANTS TO BE PAMPERED NOJA.
I don't think you've realised it.
IS- IS THAT HOW IT IS?
...YEAH,
YOU SEEM HAPPY ABOUT IT NOJA...
NOT THAT THAT'S A BAD THING?
EH?

IT'S SHOWING ON YOUR FACE NOJA.
TH-THAT'S NOT... I THINK...
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WELL, BUT,
IT'S NICE TO KNOW SOMEONE RELIES ON YOU NOJA,
...BUT YOU CAN RELY ON ME WHENEVER YOU NEED TO NOJA?
I'VE KNOWN YOU SINCE YOU WERE A CHILD,
I'VE KNOWN YOU LONGER THAN UZURE OJA YOU ON-
OUT!!
SORRY OTSUNE! KUZUMOCHI DIDN'T CATCH IT...
...GOOD THING IT DIDN'T HIT NAO-HITO!
KUZURE!

A series of terrible sleeping postures